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## Interview Summary

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Date of Interview 1/6/03

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic      b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes      e) ☐ No. If yes, brief description:

Response After Final received 12/20/02 (Paper #20)

Claim(s) discussed: exemplary Claim 1

Identification of prior art discussed:

Blackledge, Jr. (US5835738)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Discussed rejection of record regarding claims and Applicant's response of 12/20/02. Examiner agrees that the rejection, as written, is not clear as to whether the basis for the rejection is §102 or §103 as based upon Blackledge, Jr. since the rejection incorporated by reference (Paper #14) cites Blackledge under §102 and the previous office action (Paper #19) responded to by Applicant cites §103 as the basis for rejection. In order to clarify the record, the finality of the previous office action (Paper #19, mailed 10/22/02) is hereby VACATED; the Applicant's response of 12/20/02 (Paper #20) will be entered of record; and a new office action will be mailed in response to the request for reconsideration.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

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Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required